

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ESTABLISHING GLOBAL TRUST
BRIDGE FOR MULTIPLE TRUST AUTHORITIES**

ABSTRACT

A system is provided for authenticating messages between at least two parties
5 that do not share a common trust provider, such as a certificate authority. Thus, a third party
can be used to span trust between the parties by providing a common shared trust.

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